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Re Application of:

**BERSTIS ET AL.**

Serial No.: 09/444,617

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For: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
VERIFYING CONTROL ACCESSES  
BETWEEN A DEVICE ON A NON-  
PROPRIETARY BUS AND A DEVICE  
ON A PROPRIETARY BUS**

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Respectfully submitted,



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